

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
James B. Melesky

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Declaration of Non-Inventor in Support of Prior Invention in the United States to Overcome Cited Patent
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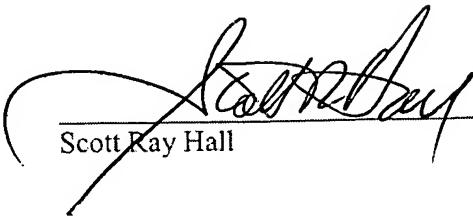
Being of legal age, I, Scott Ray Hall, declare and state as follows:

1. This declaration is to establish completion of the invention described in the above referenced application in the United States, at a date prior to June 1, 2001, a date prior to the effective date of United States Patent 6,578,327, cited by the Examiner.
2. I reside in Malvern, Pennsylvania near Mr. James B. Melesky, the listed inventor of the above referenced patent application.
3. I am not an inventor of the invention in the above referenced patent application and have no financial or other interest in the issuance of the above patent application as a United States patent and provide this declaration of my own free will.
4. Prior to June 1, 2001, I was present in Mr. Melesky's home and saw a device substantially identical to that shown in the photographs of Exhibit A in place in his attic and covering the attic opening.
5. I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false

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